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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.



Office Action Summary

Application No. 09/875,661

Applicant(s)

Lee, et al.

Examiner

Timothy F. Simone

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| The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address | | |
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| Period for Reply | | |
| A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION. - Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 (a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the | | |
| mailing date of this communication. If the period for reply specified above is less than thirty (30) days, a reply within the statutory minimum of thirty (30) days will be considered timely. If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication. Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b). | | |
| Status | | |
| 1) 💢 | Responsive to communication(s) filed on May 6, 20 | 003 |
| 2a) 🗔 | This action is FINAL . 2b) This act | ion is non-final. |
| 3) 💢 | Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11; 453 O.G. 213. | |
| Disposition of Claims | | |
| 4) 💢 | Claim(s) <u>1-51</u> | is/are pending in the application. |
| 4 | a) Of the above, claim(s) | is/are withdrawn from consideration. |
| 5) 💢 | Claim(s) 1-17 and 35-46 | is/are allowed. |
| 6) 🗀 | Claim(s) | is/are rejected. |
| 7) 🗔 | Claim(s) | is/are objected to. |
| 8) 💢 | Claims 18-34 and 47-51 | are subject to restriction and/or election requirement. |
| Application Papers | | |
| 9) . The specification is objected to by the Examiner. | | |
| 10) | The drawing(s) filed on is/are a) accepted or _b) objected to by the Examiner. | |
| | Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a). | |
| 11) | ☐ The proposed drawing correction filed on is: a)☐ approved b)☐ disapproved by the Examiner. | |
| | If approved, corrected drawings are required in reply to this Office action. | |
| 12) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. | | |
| Priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and 120 | | |
| Acknowledgement is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f). | | |
| a) All b) Some* c) None of: | | |
| 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received. | | |
| 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No | | |
| 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). *See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received. | | |
| 14) Acknowledgement is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e). | | |
| a) The translation of the foreign language provisional application has been received. | | |
| 15) Acknowledgement is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 120 and/or 121. | | |
| Attachment(s) | | |
| 1) X No | tice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) Interview Summary (PTO-413) Paper No(s). |
| 2) [, No | tice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | 5) Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
| 3) Inf | ormation Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449) Paper No(s). | 6) Other: |

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DETAILED OFFICE ACTION

The specification has not been checked to the extent necessary to

determine the presence of all possible minor errors. Applicant's cooperation is

requested in correcting any errors of which applicant may become aware in the

specification.

The abstract of the disclosure is objected to because it is limited to a single

paragraph within the range of 50 to 150 words. Correction is required. See

MPEP § 608.01(b).

Applicant is reminded of the proper language and format for an abstract of

the disclosure.

The abstract should be in narrative form and generally limited to a single

paragraph on a separate sheet within the range of 50 to 150 words. It is

important that the abstract not exceed 150 words in length since the space

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provided for the abstract on the computer tape used by the printer is limited. The form and legal phraseology often used in patent claims, such as "means" and "said," should be avoided. The abstract should describe the disclosure sufficiently to assist readers in deciding whether there is a need for consulting the full patent text for details.

The language should be clear and concise and should not repeat information given in the title. It should avoid using phrases which can be implied, such as, "The disclosure concerns," "The disclosure defined by this invention," "The disclosure describes," etc.

This application is in condition for allowance except for the presence of claims 18-34 and 47-51 to an invention non-elected with traverse in Paper No. 9. APPLICANT IS GIVEN *TWO MONTHS* FROM THE DATE OF THIS LETTER TO CANCEL THE NOTED CLAIMS OR TAKE OTHER APPROPRIATE ACTION (37 C.F.R. § 1.144).

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Failure to take action during this period will be treated as authorization to cancel the noted claims by Examiner's Amendment and pass the case to issue.

The prosecution of this case is closed except for consideration of the above matter.

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. The patents are cited for further teachings of devices whose structure is similar to that instantly disclosed.

Prosecution on the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR RESPONSE TO THIS
ACTION IS SET TO EXPIRE *TWO MONTHS* FROM THE DATE OF THIS
LETTER.

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Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0661.

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